



West Virginia Senate

Committee on the Judiciary

Minutes for MARCH 05, 2021, 9:00 AM

Pursuant to the call of the Chair, the Senate Committee on the Judiciary met on March 05, 2021, 9:00 AM in Room 208-W.

Members present: Senators Trump, Weld, Azinger, Grady, Maynard, Phillips, Rucker, Smith, Woodrum, Beach, Caputo, Lindsay, Romano, Woelfel

Members absent: Senators Karnes, Stover, Takubo

A silent roll call being taken, the presence of a quorum was established.

On motion of Senator Weld, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Senator Trump removed **S. B. 422** from the agenda.

S. B. 500 - Prohibiting intimidation and retaliation against public officers and employees, jurors, and witnesses.

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee amended the committee substitute on page 2, section 27, subsection (b) to add language inserting another method of commission of this offense that is based upon incitement to commit these acts.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee agreed to the committee substitute as amended.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

S. B. 498 - Amending definition of "sexual contact".

Tom Smith, Chief Counsel, explained the bill, the purpose of the proposed committee substitute, and responded to questions.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee agreed to the committee substitute.

On motion of Senator Weld, the committee reported the committee substitute to the full Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

On Motion of Senator Weld the committee adjourned.



Charles S. Trump

Chair



Beverly Douglas

Clerk/Analyst